

We Claim:

1. An electrical outlet box molded in one-piece of plastic material with alternative mounting flanges thereon, one of said flanges extending generally
5 perpendicular to one box sidewall for attaching the box to a front surface of a wall stud and the other of said flanges extending generally parallel to an opposite box sidewall on an opposite side of the box from said one flange for attaching the box to a side surface of a wall stud.

10 2. The box of claim 1 wherein said box has a front opening with a front opening plane, said one flange having a rear flange surface facing away from said plane and said other flange having a front flange surface facing toward said plane, and both said rear flange surface and said front flange surface being spaced the same distance from said plane.

15 3. The box of claim 2 wherein said one flange has a flange thickness generally perpendicular to said plane and said other flange has a flange thickness generally parallel to said plane, and said flange thickness of said other flange being greater than said flange thickness of said one flange.

20 4. The box of claim 3 wherein said one flange has a flange width generally parallel to said plane and said other flange has a flange width generally perpendicular to said plane, and said flange width of said one flange being greater than said flange width of said other flange.

25 5. The box of claim 4 including abutments projecting outwardly from the sidewall on which said other flange is located, said abutments being spaced from said plane for engaging a stud front surface when said other flange is attached to a stud side surface.

6. The box of claim 1 wherein said box has a front opening with a front opening plane, said one flange having a flange thickness extending generally perpendicular to said plane and said other flange having a flange thickness generally parallel to said plane, and said flange thickness of said other flange being greater than
5 said flange thickness of said one flange.

7. The box of claim 1 wherein said box has a front opening with a front opening plane, said one flange having a width generally parallel to said plane and said other flange having a width generally perpendicular to said plane, and said flange
10 width of said one flange being greater than said flange width of said other flange.

8. An electrical outlet box molded in one-piece of plastic material, said box having opposite sides and opposite ends, a mounting flange on each of said sides for mounting said box to a wall stud, one of said flanges extending outwardly from
15 one of said sides generally perpendicular thereto, and the other of said flanges extending outwardly from said ends generally parallel to the other of said sides.

9. The box of claim 8 wherein said box has a front opening with a front opening plane, said one flange having a rear flange surface facing away from said
20 plane and said other flange having a front flange surface facing toward said plane, and both said rear flange surface and said front flange surface being spaced the same distance from said plane.

10. The box of claim 9 wherein said one flange has a flange thickness
25 generally perpendicular to said plane and said other flange has a flange thickness generally parallel to said plane, and said flange thickness of said other flange being greater than said flange thickness of said one flange.

11. The box of claim 10 wherein said one flange has a flange width
30 generally parallel to said plane and said other flange has a flange width generally

perpendicular to said plane, and said flange width of said one flange being greater than said flange width of said other flange.

12. The box of claim 11 including abutments projecting outwardly from
5 the sidewall on which said other flange is located, said abutments being spaced from said plane for engaging a stud front surface when said other flange is attached to a stud side surface.

13. The box of claim 8 wherein said box has a front opening with a front
10 opening plane, said one flange having a flange thickness extending generally perpendicular to said plane and said other flange having a flange thickness generally parallel to said plane, and said flange thickness of said other flange being greater than said flange thickness of said one flange.

14. The box of claim 8 wherein said box has a front opening with a front
15 opening plane, said one flange having a width generally parallel to said plane and said other flange having a width generally perpendicular to said plane, and said flange width of said one flange being greater than said flange width of said other flange.

15. An electrical outlet box molded in one-piece of plastic material, said
20 box having opposite sidewalls, top and bottom walls, a rear wall and a front opening opposite from said rear wall, said front opening having an opening periphery that lies in a plane, a first mounting flange extending outwardly from one of said sidewalls generally parallel to said plan for attaching said box to a front surface of a wall stud
25 and being spaced toward said rear wall from said plane, a second mounting flange extending outwardly from the other of said sidewalls generally perpendicular to said plane for attaching said box to a side surface of a wall stud and being spaced toward said rear wall from said plane, and said second mounting flange extending outwardly beyond both said top and bottom walls.

16. The box of claim 15 wherein said one flange having a rear flange surface facing away from said plane and said other flange having a front flange surface facing toward said plane, and both said rear flange surface and said front flange surface being spaced the same distance from said plane.

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17. The box of claim 16 wherein said one flange has a flange thickness generally perpendicular to said plane and said other flange has a flange thickness generally parallel to said plane, and said flange thickness of said other flange being greater than said flange thickness of said one flange.

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18. The box of claim 17 wherein said one flange has a flange width generally parallel to said plane and said other flange has a flange width generally perpendicular to said plane, and said flange width of said one flange being greater than said flange width of said other flange.

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19. The box of claim 18 including abutments projecting outwardly from the sidewall on which said other flange is located, said abutments being spaced from said plane for engaging a stud front surface when said other flange is attached to a stud side surface.

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20. The box of claim 15 wherein said one flange has a flange thickness extending generally perpendicular to said plane and said other flange has a flange thickness generally parallel to said plane, and said flange thickness of said other flange being greater than said flange thickness of said one flange.

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21. The box of claim 15 wherein said one flange has a width generally parallel to said plane and said other flange has a width generally perpendicular to said plane, and said flange width of said one flange being greater than said flange width of said other flange.

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